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SOURCE:

- 1. On 15 May 1953 the Sindicato de Trabajadores de Fuerza y Luz (STFL Power and Light Workers' Union), an affiliate of the Federacion Sindical de Trabajadores de la Republice de Panana (FSTRP Federation of Workers Unions of the Republic of Panana Communist), held a meeting at the headquarters of the Barbadian Society in Colon. Those present were Carlos A. CLJAL, lawyer for the FSTRP; Angel GONZ, secretary of defense of the FSTRP; Miguel PORCELL, secretary of acts and correspondence of the FSTRP; Felix DIXON, secretary-general of the STFL; and approximately twenty members of the STFL.
- 2. GOMEZ announced that Felix DIXON, Domingo BARRIA, and Arturo FIGUERCA had been chosen to represent the FSTRP as candidates for the Panaranian delegation to the International Labor Office Conference to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, during June. He explained that President REFON would select the delegation from a list of nominees submitted by various unions.
- 3. In a short talk, CAJAL told the workers that the insurance policy they received from the Power and Light Company was not a gratuity, but that they had earned it since labor was the source of all wealth.
- 4. At a later meeting of the STFL, held on 19 June 1953, GOMEZ covered the following points:
 - a. The Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the FSTRP has asked for an interview with Fresident REMON in order to petition him for representation in Panama-United States Treaty revision talks.
 - b. All workers should oppose a revision of the Penema Labor Code proposed by members of the Lationaly Assembly, as any change by the present Assembly will be in favor of the capitalists.
 - c. The United States declared the Rosenbergs spies and executed them in order to tell the world that Russia is incapable of producing the atomic bomb without resorting to espionage.